ATTORNEY DOCKET NO: IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of: DeLucia, et al Group Art Unit: 1712 Serial No: 10/724,654 Examiner: Kuo Liang Peng Filed: December 1, 2003 Our Client ID: 22827 Confirmation No: 2326 Our Account No: 04-1403 Title: Method of Thermally Processing Elastomeric Compositions and Elastomeric Compositions with Improved Processability Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **AMENDMENT** This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is to be treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto. Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below: Claims Highest remaining number after previously Present Additional paid for amendment Extra Fee **Total Effective Claims** 25 minus X \$50 =0.00 Independent Claims 3 minus x \$200 =0.00 If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time, add \$290.00 (per application) 0.00 Since Official Action set an original due date of 11/01/05 **PETITION** is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month \$120; 2 months \$450; 3 months \$1020; 4 months \$1590, 120.00 5 months \$2,160) If Terminal Disclaimer enclosed, add Rule 20(d) Official Fee (\$110.00) 0.00SUBTOTAL: 120.00 If "small entity" verified statement filed [] previously, [] herewith, enter one-half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract 0.00 12/06/2005 CNEUYEN2 00000011 10724634 TOTAL: 120.00 120.00 GP 01 FC:1251 Other: Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 0.00 TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED: 120.00 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any fees in addition to the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under Rules 16-18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this application and the resulting official document under Rule 20, or credit any overpayment, to our Account No. shown in the heading hereof for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. This statement does not authorize charge of the issue fee in this case. ADDRESS: **DORITY & MANNING** Post Office Box 1449 ATTORNEYS AT LAW, P.A. Greenville, SC 29602 USA Customer ID No.: 22827 By: Jason W. Johnston Reg. No: 45,675 Date: December 1, 2005 Telephone: 864-271-1592 Facsimile: 864-233-7342 Signature: I hereby certify that this correspondence and any referenced attachment and fee are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office,

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